

Senate Resolution 1271

By: Senator Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Reverend Larry Wynn; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Reverend Larry Wynn has spent a lifetime answering God's call to be His
3 messenger to do His will; and

4 WHEREAS, Reverend Wynn is currently in his 27th year of service at Hebron Baptist
5 Church in Dacula, Georgia, where he is senior pastor; and

6 WHEREAS, Reverend Wynn serves as chaplain for the Gwinnett County Fire and Police
7 Department, the Georgia Office of Homeland Security, and the Georgia Bureau of
8 Investigation, and is a member of the G.E.M.S. Oversight Committee for Gwinnett County
9 Public Schools; and

10 WHEREAS, Reverend Wynn is a graduate of Mercer University and is completing his
11 Master's Degree at Luther Rice Seminary and is a guest editorial writer for the *Gwinnett*
12 *Daily Post*; and

13 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon; visiting the sick; counseling the
14 troubled; baptizing a new believer; or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
15 humanitarian, or any of the other countless responsibilities of a minister of the Gospel,
16 Reverend Wynn has shown the energy, devotion, and commitment truly reflective of divine
17 guidance; and

18 WHEREAS, under his guiding hands, heart, and soul, 9,100 people have been baptized,
19 Sunday school attendance has increased from 100 to 4,300, worship attendance has grown
20 from 100 to 5,200, and the church budget has increased from \$25,000.00 to \$8,600,000.00;
21 and

1 WHEREAS, Hebron Baptist Church is a leader among Georgia Baptist Churches in gifts to
2 the Cooperative Program and is ranked among the top 20 churches in baptism and church
3 growth by the Southern Baptist Convention; and

4 WHEREAS, the church is involved in a broad range of mission activities and short term
5 mission projects and through the Cooperative Program of the Southern Baptist Convention,
6 sponsors 10,000 missionaries worldwide; and

7 WHEREAS, Reverend Wynn has preached in many state and youth conferences and
8 conducted church growth conferences throughout the country; and

9 WHEREAS, Reverend Wynn has also served as first vice president of the Southern Baptist
10 Convention, president of the Georgia Baptist Convention, vice president of the Southern
11 Baptist Convention Pastors' Conference, trustee of the Sunday School board, member of the
12 1994 Atlanta Billy Graham Crusade Committee, alumni president of the Luther Rice
13 Seminary, vice president of the Mercer Ministerial Association, senator at large of the Mercer
14 University Student Government Association, member of the Georgia Baptist Convention
15 Committee on Nominations, member of the administrative and executive committees of the
16 Georgia Baptist Convention, pastor and advisor of the Georgia Baptist Convention
17 Evangelists, member of the Gwinnett County Superintendent's Council of Community
18 Advisors and cochairman of the Gwinnett County Task Force on Public School
19 Accountability; and

20 WHEREAS, he has been the loving spouse of his wife Ethel for the past 32 years and they
21 are the adoring parents of their three children, Amanda, Dana, and Adam; and

22 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Wynn is a source of
23 strength, inspiration, and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic
24 strata; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to recognize the outstanding
26 accomplishments of the dynamic Christian ministry of this devout and pious man.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 commend Reverend Larry Wynn for his unparalleled record of community service and his

1 innumerable good works rendered on behalf of persons in need and extend to him their most
2 sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
4 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Larry Wynn.